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STEREOTACTIC HYPOTHALAMIC OBESITY PROBE

REPLY AND/OR AMENDMENT **UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action dated January 13, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated April 5, 2005, the period for response having been extended by the Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.